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Serial No. 09/834,085	Filing Date April 12, 2001	Examiner William J. Klimowicz	Group Art Unit 2652
Inventor(s) Yoshihiro Nishiyama et al.			
Title of Invention THIN FILM MAGNETIC HEAD COMPRISING SION FILM AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREFOR			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Amendment and Response to Office Action (12 pages) and return receipt postcard.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
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Respectfully submitted,

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